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Filipinos turn off lights for environment

EARTH HOUR People light candles forming the word "Earth" during Earth Hour in Manila on Saturday night.

Japan radioactivity soars

Bro. Eddie asks people to pray for 3 convicts

MALACAÑANG may have run out of options in its efforts to save three Filipinos from execution in China this week, but Brother Eddie hasn't run out of prayers.

Christian evangelist Eduardo Villanueva yesterday called on Filipinos and on all Christian churches in the country to "pray as a nation" so that the three death convicts scheduled to die by lethal injection on Wednesday may still be granted clemency by Chinese authorities.

Global executions drop despite China hangings / A17



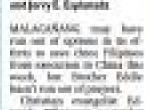
PLEA FOR LIFE

Doomed Filipino woman: I was tricked

Philippine Consulate General
Xiamen City
People's Republic of China

10 million times over normal, say nuke execs

TOKYO—Japanese officials on Sunday reported a gigantic jump in radioactivity—levels 10 million times the norm—in the water inside a reactor at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, prompting the evacuation of workers seeking to avert a catastrophic meltdown at the tsunami-damaged complex.



Hubs, restos can be bad for health

By Jocelyn R. Uy

LACSON ON THE LAM

Getaway on Orient Express

THE ORIENT EXPRESS, a train service renowned for intrigue and luxury, provided the perfect getaway for the fugitive senator to a year on the lam in Europe, possibly spending most of the time in Portugal.

One more Senate vote against Gutierrez? / A20

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BSP: Bad loans crushed Banco

By Michelle V. Remo

BANGKO Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) has defended its closure of Banco Filipino Savings and Mortgage Bank (BF), saying the bank mismanaged the deposits of its clients.



Claims paid soon

Palace protests harsher HK advisory vs PH

50 more Pinoys heed 'last call' to leave Libya

By Jerry E. Esplanada

ANOTHER 50 Filipinos have crossed the Libyan border to Egypt, bringing to more than 130 the total number of Philippine nationals who have heeded Foreign Secretary Albert del Rosario's "last call" to leave the rebellion-torn country.

The latest batch of evacuees—all from the eastern city of Benghazi—reached the Egyptian border town of As Sallum yesterday, said the Philippine Embassy in Tripoli.

Filipinos welcomed

In a report to the home office, the embassy said the evacuees were accompanied by Executive [illegible] of the Department of Foreign Affairs' (DFA) office of migrant workers' affairs.

At As Sallum, they were "welcomed and assisted by a team from the Philippine Embassy in Cairo that was stationed at the border town," said the mission.

Meanwhile, Foreign Assistant Secretary Eduardo Malaya clarified that "some 2,000 Philippine nationals, mostly medical personnel, have remained in Libya for professional and personal reasons."

15,000 exit Libya

He said nearly 15,000 Filipinos had exited Libya as he denied published reports that another 13,000 had opted to remain in the country.

"The earlier estimates of 26,000 to 30,000 Filipinos based in the north African state were on the high side," he said.

For its part, the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (Owwa) said that 5,126 Filipinos had returned to Manila as of Sunday.

All of them have received the one-time financial grant of P10,000 from Owwa.

Awaiting flights

An undisclosed number of evacuees are still in the Middle East awaiting connecting flights to Manila, said Owwa head Carmelita Dimzon.

Last week, on his second visit to Tripoli, Del Rosario called on the Filipinos remaining in Libya to get out of the war-torn country.

DFA Undersecretary for administration Rafael Seguis earlier said the situation had become "very dangerous" in Libya.

Convinced to leave

Seguis said the government had been "trying to convince (Filipino workers) to leave" the north African state.

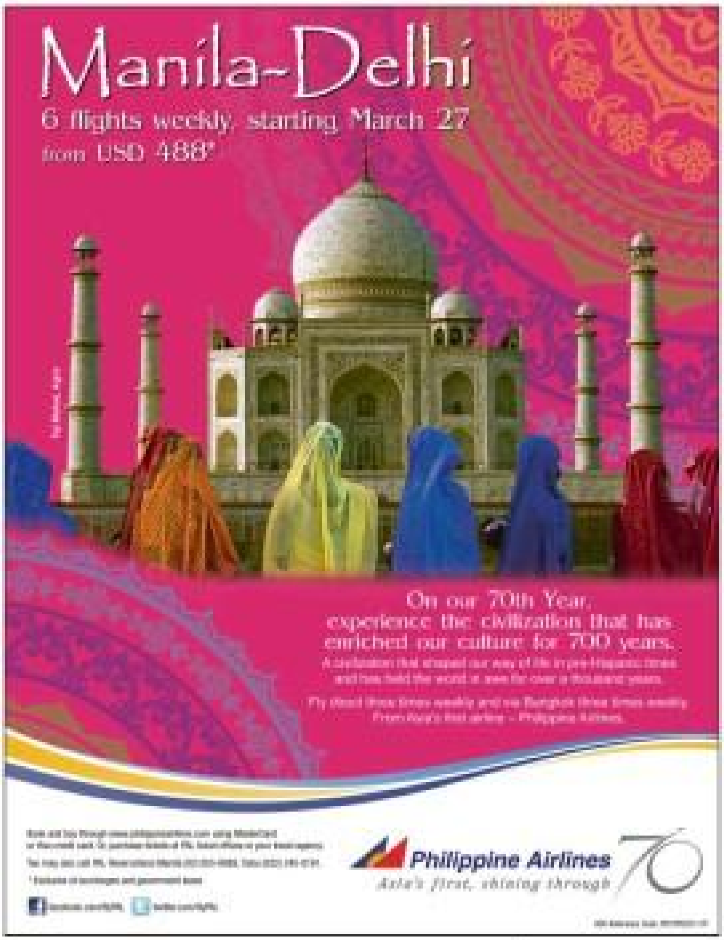
Malaya said "many Filipino nurses have chosen to stay put in order to fulfill their professional obligation to minister to the needs of the sick and wounded."

For these medical personnel, "the safest places are the hospitals where they work. Hospitals are considered protected areas under international humanitarian law."

Malaya said "the bulk of our nationals have already exited Libya through the coordinated efforts of the DFA and the Department of Labor and Employment."

Philippine Ambassador to Libya Alejandrino Vicente and the rest of the embassy staff in Tripoli "will remain to take care of our country's interests and ensure the safety of the Filipinos who choose to remain for personal reasons," said Malaya.

7 Bataan barangays follow Ayala Alabang, pass own RH laws



First batch

Protect rights

Result of forum

Fear of extinction

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MILF condoles with Japan

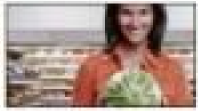





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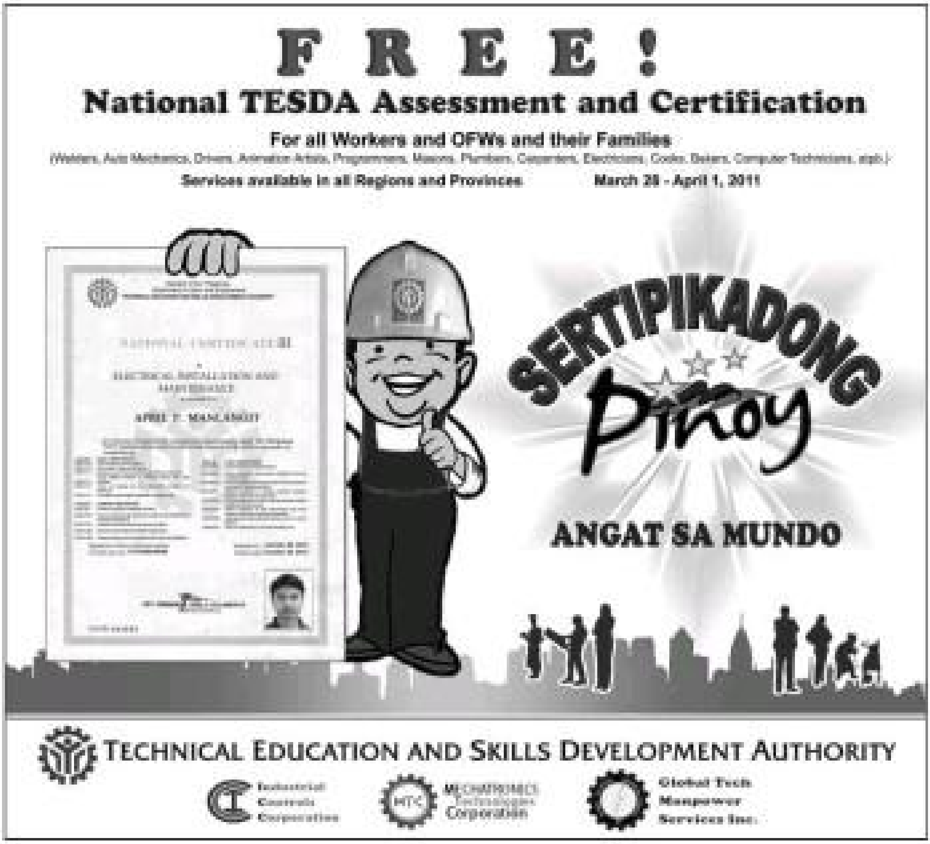
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PH joins karaoke world tilt

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No military alert ahead of NPA fete

Gov't speeds up mining processes

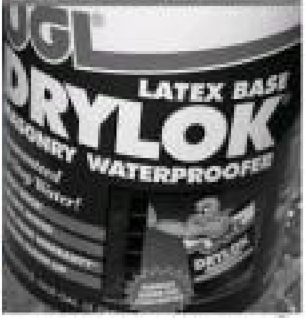
Michael D. Dioneda; 42

The Daily Gospel













House to probe huge lawyers' fees in Naia 3 case

Properly documented

Lawyers not needed

Amicable settlement

Demand for compensation

Review open skies policy, P-Noy urged

Filipinos turn off lights

Candlelit run

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MILF gives rogue commander ultimatum: Stay or go

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No hero

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Merci is no longer the Ombudsman

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

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Life and death

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

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The Senate impeachment vote

Sounding Board

Fr. Joaquin G. Bernas, S.J.



The outcome of an impeachment is a policy decision. For that reason, senators are correctly not asked to vote Guilty or Not Guilty

My Lai remembered

Reveille

Ramon J. Farolan



Japan's new model political leadership

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Karel van Wolferen



The reunion

High Blood

Minerva Vergara Quemuel

They Said

Coup warning

LGUs should help graduates

LETTERS

Editorial cartoon unfair to MWSS

Global executions decline despite China hangings

LONDON—Global use of the death penalty continues to decline even though China, Iran, North Korea, Yemen, United States and Saudi Arabia still execute thousands of people each year, Amnesty International said.

China executed "thousands" of people in 2010, according to estimates by the London-based rights group, while Iran killed at least 252, North Korea 60, Yemen 53, United States 46, and Saudi Arabia 27.

But globally executions are declining, with official executions—excluding China, which keeps its figures secret—falling from at least 714 in 2009 to at least 527 in 2010, according to Amnesty's annual report on the issue.

Last year also saw Mongolia declare a moratorium on the death penalty in what Amnesty said was an "important milestone" for Asia.

Gabon also became the 16th African Union member country to abolish the practice.

"In spite of some setbacks, developments in 2010 brought us closer to global abolition," said Amnesty secretary general Salil Shetty.

He added: "The minority of states that continue to systematically use the death penalty were responsible for thousands of executions in 2010, defying the global trend against the death penalty."



ON DEATH ROW A Filipino protester in Quezon City lights a candle during a vigil appealing to the Chinese government to stop the execution of three Filipinos and commute their death sentences on humanitarian grounds. China said three Filipino drug mules would be executed this week. The Philippines may have run out of options to save them.

Drug offenses, adultery

But Shetty noted that a number of countries continued to use the death penalty beyond the most serious crimes, particularly in the Middle East and North Africa, where it was frequently used for drug-related offenses or adultery.

"While executions may be on the decline, a number of countries continue to pass death sentences for drug-related offenses, economic crimes, sexual relations between consenting adults and blasphemy, violating international human rights law forbidding the use of the death penalty except for the most serious crimes," he said.

Asia and the Middle East were responsible for the most executions last year, led by China, which keeps the figures as a state secret but is believed to have killed thousands of people, including for nonviolent crimes.

The Amnesty report notes China has taken steps to remove the death penalty from a number of offenses in its criminal code but says the crimes involved have rarely been punished by execution in recent years.

Elsewhere in Asia, at least 82 executions were carried out last year, most of them in North Korea, but also in Singapore, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Taiwan, Japan and Malaysia.

In the Middle East, Iran led with 252 officially recognized executions, although Amnesty said it had received "credible reports" of more than 300 others, mostly in Vakilabad Prison, in Mashhad. Most were for drug-related offenses.

A significant proportion of executions or death sentences handed down last year in China, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Libya, Malaysia, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Yemen were also for drug-related offenses.

Setback

In a setback for Amnesty's campaign for abolition, the death penalty returned to the European continent after its first ever execution-free year in 2009, when two men in Belarus were executed by shooting in March 2010.

Execution methods include beheading, electrocution, lethal injection, hanging and shooting—the last one being the most popular. Despite people being sentenced to death by stoning in Iran, no one last year died that way.

Overall, 96 countries have now abolished the death penalty for all crimes, the highest number ever, and only 23 actually carried out executions last year, although this was an increase on the 19 who carried them out in 2009.

"A world free of the death penalty is not only possible, it is inevitable," Shetty said. "The question is how long will it take?" AFP

Bro. Eddie asks people to pray for 3 convicts



BRO. EDDIE VILLANUEVA

Efforts exhausted

Recruiter charged

Cacayan's claim

Need to act early

Doomed Filipino woman: I was tricked

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Sentence of death

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By TJ Burgonio

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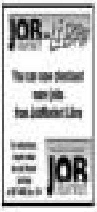
Rejected testimony



THE HOUSE of Sen. Panfilo Lacson at the posh Ayala Alabang Village in Muntinlupa City.

Fair reinvestigation



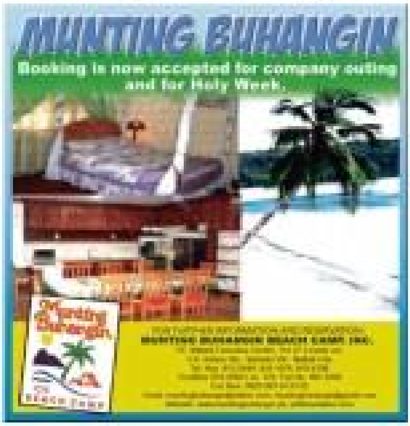


Hubs, restos can be bad for health

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Across the NATION

Albay bans future mining activities

LEGAZPI CITY—Mining companies eager to lay their hands on Albay's rich mineral resources will now face stiff opposition from the provincial government.

Lightning kills girl



TABUK VENDOR

DA incorporates climate change in new farm targets

Approximately 64 percent or about 2.32 million hectares of rice lands will be affected by climate change

Darlene smells something 'fishy,' to probe GenSan airport renovation

IN THE KNOW: How much radiation is dangerous?

Massive radiation

Japan radioactivity levels soar

Radioactivity limits

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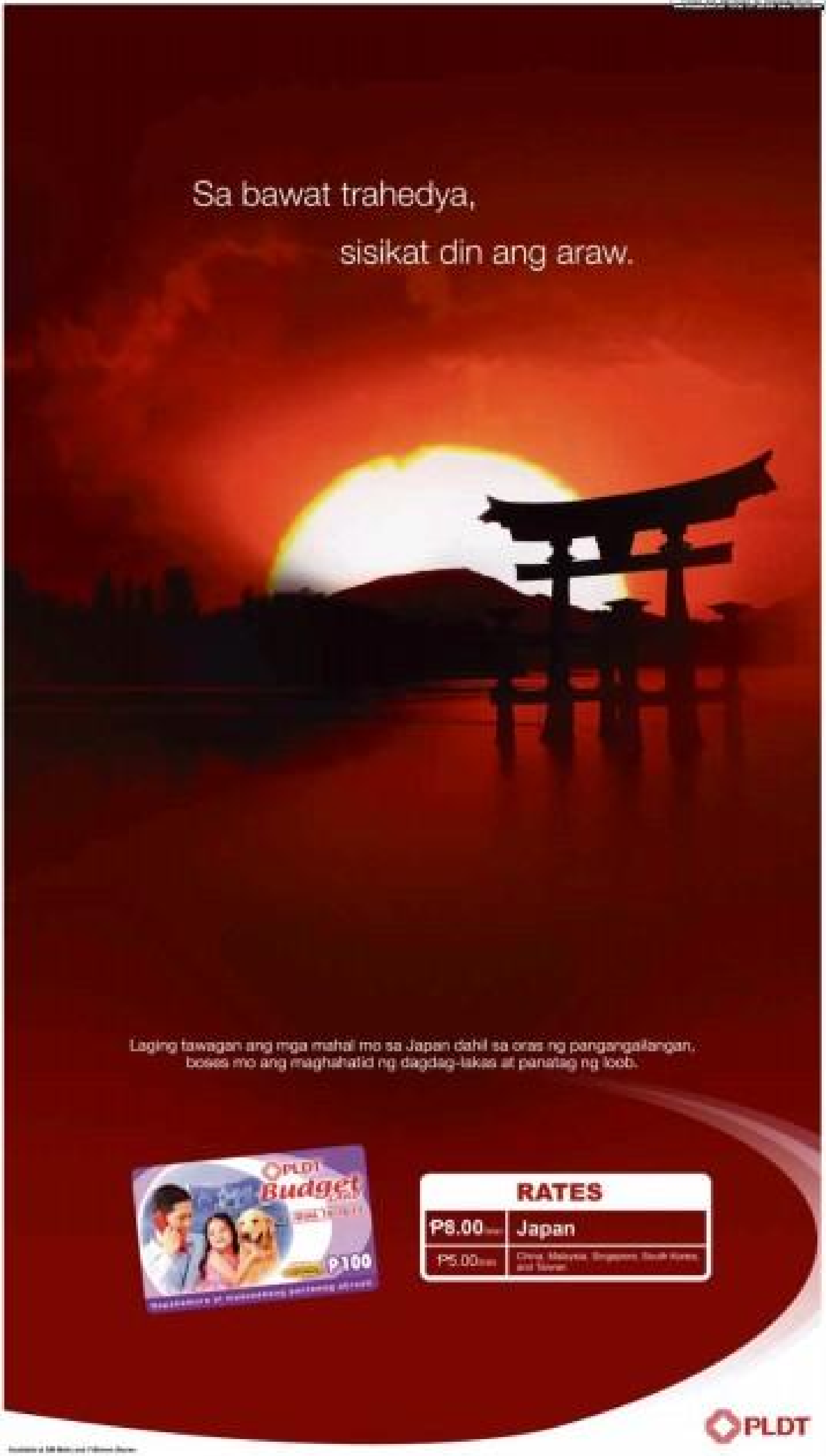
Breach in reactor's core

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Opinion poll

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Sa bawat trahedya,
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INNOCENTS NOW TARGETS, TOO

Robber preys on child

By Nancy C. Carvajal

A CHILD with a cell phone was victimized by a man riding in a sport utility vehicle (SUV) with a government plate in Quezon City last week.

120 city gov't workers fired over drugs

By Tina G. Santos

Prepare for 'Big One,' building owners urged



APPEAL FOR QUICK ACTION

Unified drive vs polluters needed in Metro Manila

Huge garbage problem

Drug pushers' haven

Cop preys on jeepney drivers in Muntinlupa

120 city . . .

Barangay exec cited for girl's rescue

MetroBriefs

San Juan to act vs litterbugs

No more road work on Edsa on weekdays, says MMDA

Charges set against 3 robbers

More violence in Syria as anti-Assad protests grow

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BAYOG 9 METALS CORPORATION (BMC) is the true and lawful holder of Exploration Permit EP-008-10-IX covering 4,578 hectares of mineral lands located in Barangays Bobuan, Conacon, and Liba, Municipality of Bayog, Zamboanga del Sur.

BMC has the **exclusive right** to use and explore said mineral lands. As a recognition of this exclusive right, the Mines and Geosciences Bureau-IX (MGB-IX) issued a **CEASE AND DESIST ORDER against LUPA PIGEGETAWAN MINING COMPANY, INC.** (LUPA), prohibiting and stopping LUPA from conducting mining activities in Barangays Bobuan, Conacon, and Liba, Municipality of Bayog, Zamboanga del Sur and covered by EP-008-10-IX of Bayog 9 Metals Corporation (BMC). MGB-IX concluded that LUPA's mining activities are ILLEGAL and UNAUTHORIZED. The MGB-IX likewise ordered LUPA to withdraw all its mining equipment in the BMC Area.

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The WORLD

Libyan rebels advance as loyalists flee strikes

BENGHAZI, Libya—Libyan rebels were pushing their advance on Sunday after recapturing two key towns from Moammar Gadhafi's forces in their first major victories since the launch of Western-led air strikes.

WORLDBRIEFS

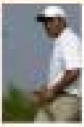
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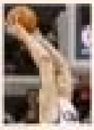
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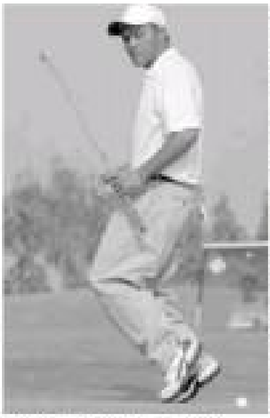
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Tigers prowl new FilOil-Flying V hunting ground

By Jasmine W. Payo

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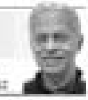


Former Pacman sparmate posts 9th straight win

Youth Olympic Games pool berths at stake in Triathlon Super TriKids

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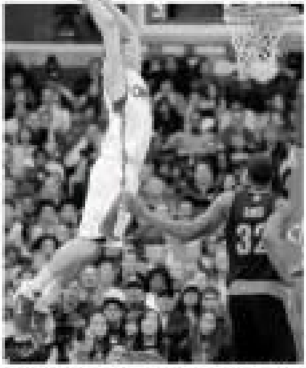
The game, not the looks, please



Inside Sports

Ronnie Nathanielsz

Shuttlers Escueta, De Vera lead winners



Hawks nail playoff slot

Knicks continue freefall, lose sixth straight

Clippers 94, Raptors 90

B-League: Srs semis, Jr finals under way



US NCAA: Teamwork is the key

ONE GAME AT A TIME



216 dispute Mercedes golf titles at Sta. Elena

Davis tops Bora Ultimate Golf with record 65

Casilo stops Thai foe in ninth round

SPORTS

Casimero flubs world title bid, falls by TKO



Sea-Ex hits the water

Boats, yachts highlight Manila Bay summer



Kenyan, Cebuana runner dominate Yakult 10-Miler



KORINGO

Davao dentist tries to knock a few teeth off in 'Collision'

Editor Raul G. Marcelo • Assistant Editor Corrie S. Narisma

BUSINESS

San Miguel to bid for 5 power projects

INDICATORS

PESO-DOLLAR RATE

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STOCK MARKET

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Stocks seen trading sideways

Mostly geothermal, hydro facilities

By Doris C. Dumlao

CONGLOMERATE San Miguel Corp. plans to cement its new position as a leading player in Philippine power generation by bidding for five more power plants to be privatized by the government.

The five power generation assets that San Miguel would like to acquire are the 640-megawatt (MW) Unified Leyte geothermal power plants, the 145-MW Magat power facility, the 600-MW Malaya thermal power plant, 140-MW Casecnan hydroelectric power complex and the 728-MW Caliraya-Botocan-Kalayaan hydropower facilities, SMC president Ramon Ang confirmed to the Inquirer.

"SMC will always join government bidding to help the government get the best deal," Ang said.

The state agency Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corp. has announced plans to auction the independent power producer administrator (IPPA) contracts covering these power generation assets within the year or 2012. The IPPA contract gives the winning bidder the right to manage the contracted capacity of the power plants, including how to source fuel and sell the electricity.

The San Miguel conglomerate, which has been diversifying from its traditional food and beverage businesses since 2008, now has 2,545 MW in installed capacity and has

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Legal fees everywhere





A new garden community rises in the East







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PNOC defers subsidiary's follow-on offering

State firm wants to review options



Aussie-funded road project inaugurated

Part of ₱4.3-B provincial road management facility

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To fight inflation, Asia needs to tighten fiscal policy

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NGCP eyes own power plant

Generating assets to be sold later

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Anglo profit up 91%

World's top insurance brand

Use of Batangas Port pushed

43 BPO firms vie for ICT Awards

Business

PPP improvements sought to shield public from high fees

Decent returns for investors, lower burden for the people

By Daxim L. Lucas





PEZA'S OUTSTANDING EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR

NTC orders review of digital TV standard

By Paolo G. Montecillo

Globe launches new packages for SMEs



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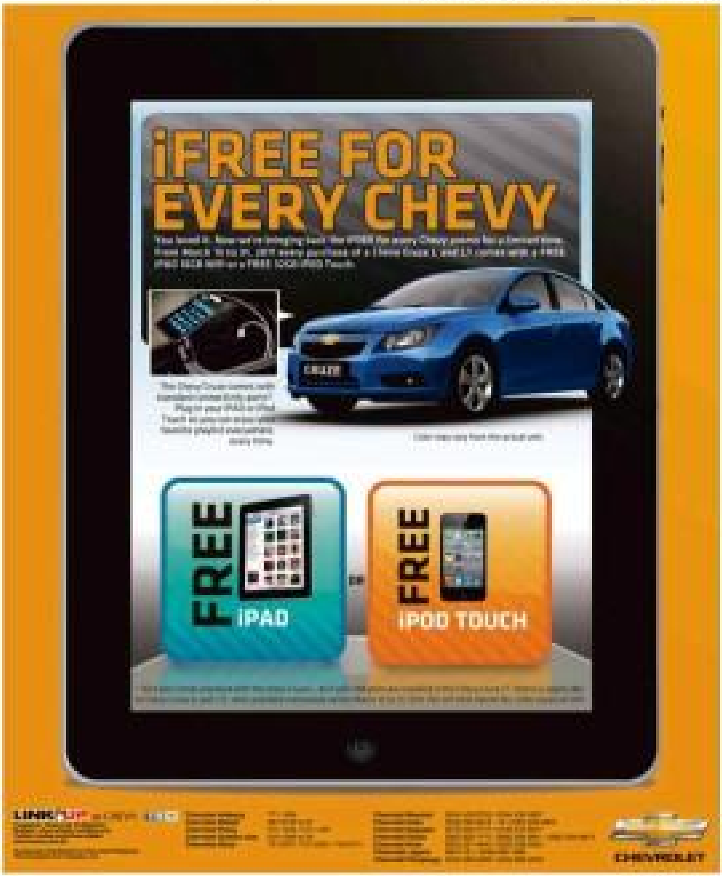


Mining ban seen to derail power plant projects

DOE appeals to South Cotabato LGU anew



BSP reviews growth target for remittances





Ayala Land gets SEC nod to issue ₱2-B housing bonds

Firm's 4th offering since 2006 launch

Megawide net profit surged 372% last year

Aboitiz firm allots ₱49B for 2011 capex

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Inflation seen breaching 5% in Q2

HSBC expects further hike in Bangko Sentral rates

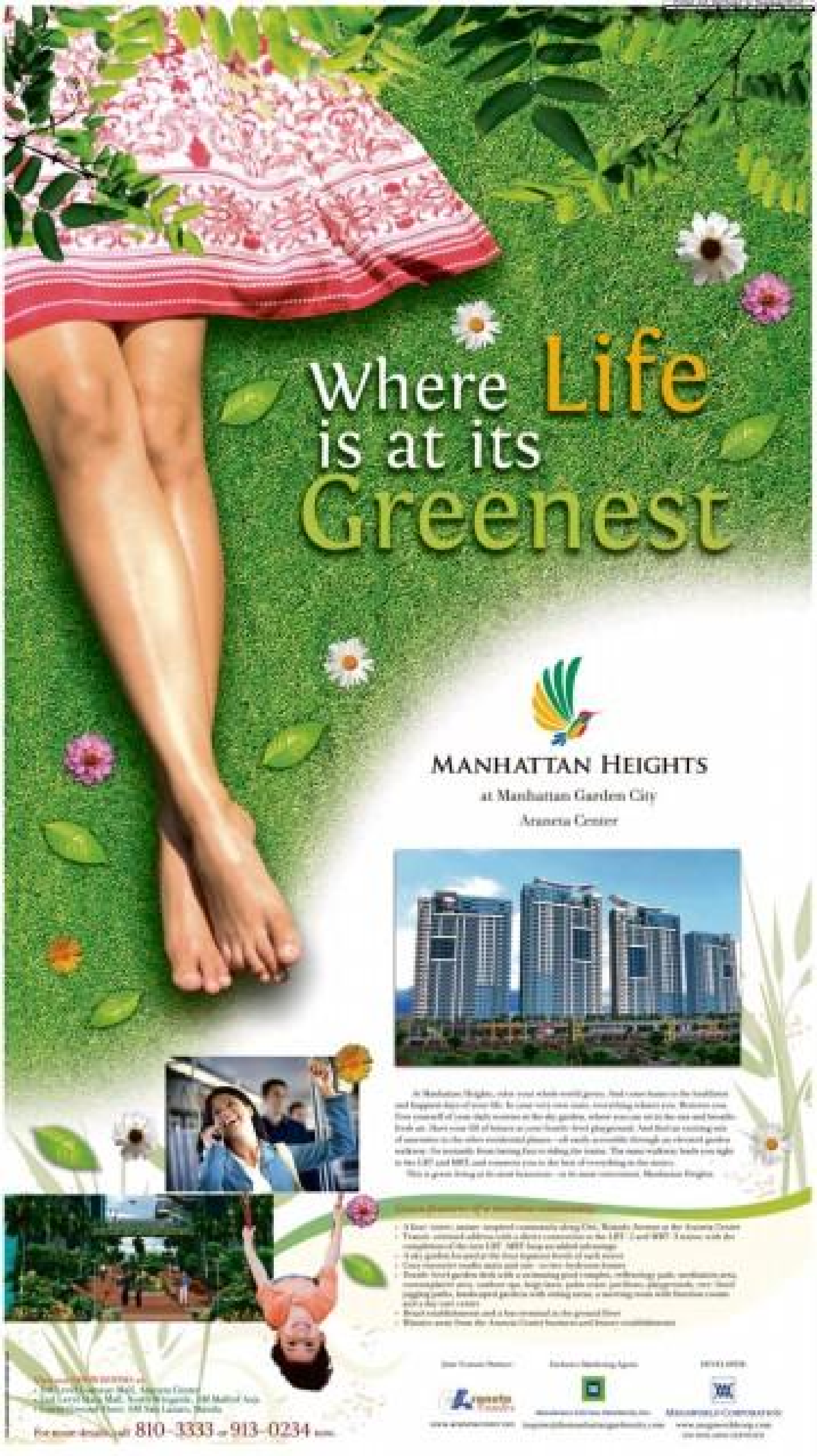


Manhattan Garden City named a sustainable project








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Outsmarting the smartphone

Users are urged to study their devices thoroughly







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InfoTech

Acer notebook begs to be 'touched'



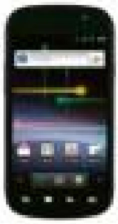
ACER'S ICONIA [illegible]—a new category of notebook called 'touchbook.'

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ICONIA Tab W500

Next generation Android powers Nexus S



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In mobile enterprise field, Apple iPad rules

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Nokia may be down but not out in smartphone race





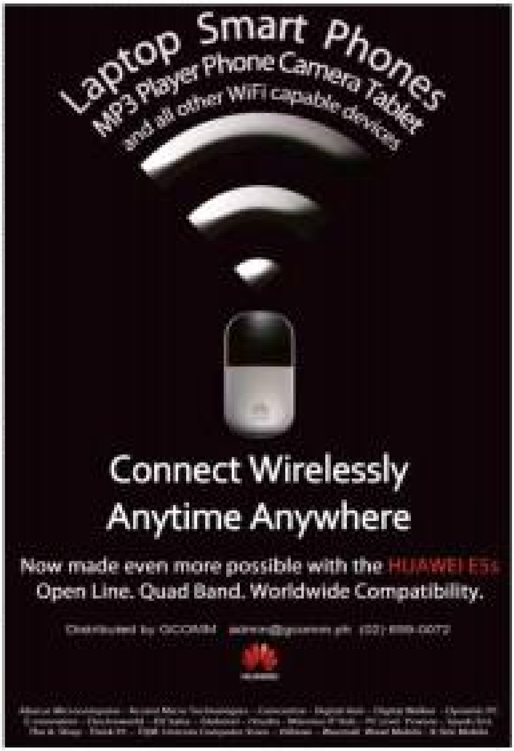
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Canon flexes imaging muscles





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BUSINESS

DBS: Key rate hike to serve peso well

BSP bent on reining in inflation

By Ronnel W. Domingo

MOST ASIAN currencies have appreciated against the greenback in recent months, with some even returning their pre-crisis levels ahead of others. But the peso appears to be taking its sweet time to appreciate—a development DBS Bank describes as "attractive."

In a report, DBS Bank said that the decision of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas to increase last week the overnight borrowing rate by 25 basis points to 4.25 percent would serve the local currency well.

BSP Governor Amando M. Tetangco Jr. had projected that average inflation in 2011 could hit 3.18 percent, higher than the government's official cap of 3 to 5 percent.

However, Tetangco clarified that the move to increase key policy rates last Thursday was aimed at tempering upward pressures on inflation and keeping the figure well within the official cap.

Tetangco also disputed claims that the government would soon revise its inflation outlook.

For its part, the Singapore-based DBS believes that the BSP "is putting its 2011 and 2012 inflation forecasts under review."

But Tetangco said that, following last week's preemptive move, inflation would taper off after possibly hitting a peak in either the second or third quarter.

"We forecast 2012 full-year inflation to be closer to the lower end of our target range [of 3 percent to 5 percent]," he said.

According to DBS, the current inflation situation affirms its view that last week's tightening of monetary policy will be the start of a gradual rate hike cycle, expecting three more adjustments totaling 75 basis points throughout the year.

"In this regard, we think that the peso is attractive as a laggard in the appreciating Asian currency story," the bank said. "The peso has yet to fully recover its losses from the global crisis [and] this is one of the reasons why we have forecast the peso to trade back to its pre-crisis low of 40 to a dollar this year."

This is a revision of a December 2010 forecast which put the peso at 41.00 against the dollar by end 2011.

DBS noted that the Singapore dollar, Malaysian ringgit, Thai baht, and Indonesian rupiah have appreciated back to their pre-crisis highs.

At the same time, as of December, DBS said the peso recovered only 46 percent of its losses incurred during the 2008-2009 global financial crisis.



TETANGCO

Benguet Corp. set to expand output at Acupan gold mine

By Riza T. Olchondra

BENGUET CORP.'S Acupan gold mine in Itogon, Benguet province is up for expansion as the country's oldest miner seeks to improve the company's financial health, a top official said in a phone interview.

"Production is presently small at 350 to 375 ounces of gold per month, but within two years, it may improve to about 1,000 ounces per month," CFO Renato A. Claravall said.

Benguet Corp. sells the precious metal to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas.

Last January, Benguet Corp. announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Benec Land Resources Inc. (BLRI), signed a five-year credit facility of up to P150 million with the Philippine Export-Import Credit Agency (PhilExim) for the expansion of the Acupan gold mine.

The miner, which is undergoing rehabilitation, is also pursuing the Balatoc Tailings Project, also in Benguet, to recover residual gold.

The company also wants to open a nickel mine in Sta. Cruz, Zambales, Claravall said.

The majority of Benguet Corp.'s creditors have withdrawn notices of default.

This gives the country's oldest miner more breathing space to pursue revenue-generating mining activities.

Earlier, in a disclosure to the Philippine Stock Exchange, Benguet Corp. revealed that most of its creditors had already lifted their demand notices.

The miner said it received a letter from Philippine National Bank (PNB), which stated: "In our capacity as trustee in the mortgage trust indenture dated Dec. 22, 1993 by and between Benguet Corp. and PNB Trust Banking Group, we have received notices from the creditors of the company, holding 79.9 percent of its debt paper, that they have withdrawn their respective notice(s) of default to the company.

"Moreover, the majority creditors which had previously issued written instructions to the trustee to declare the secured obligations covered by the mortgage trust indenture as due and payable, have ceased to be creditors of the company after having sold their debt paper to Benguet Corp."

As a result, PNB's Trust Banking Group, "no longer has the mandate of the majority creditors to declare the secured obligations of the company to be due and payable, and hereby withdraws the notice(s) of default issued to Benguet Corp. last July 24, 2009."

Benguet Corp. said that it would fully settle its debts before the end of the year.

Prices of construction supplies up

THE RATE of increase in retail prices of construction supplies in Metro Manila jumped to 4.4 percent year-on-year in February, the highest in almost three years, according to the National Statistics Office.

NSO data show that the retail price index of selected construction materials in the National Capital Region has been increasing since November 2009.

In January, Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Cayetano W. Paderanga Jr. said the construction industry was one of the strongest drivers of growth in the country's gross domestic product, which was pegged at 7.3 percent in 2010.

The yearly increase in February was attributed to faster price hikes in all seven subgroups of products, with the biggest surge seen in carpentry materials at 5.3 percent from 3.5 percent in January.

Price hikes for electrical materials also rose to 5.7 percent from 4.4 percent, while those of miscellaneous construction materials moved up to 5.2 percent from 4.1 percent.

The rise in prices of painting materials and related compounds increased to 3.6 percent from 2 percent, while that for plumbing materials picked up to 4.5 percent from 3.8 percent.

Also, price increases for tinsmith materials went up to 2.7 percent from 2.4 percent, while those for masonry went to one percent from 0.9 percent.

On a monthly basis, the growth in the retail price index for construction supplies grew to 1.1 percent from 0.4 percent in January.

Higher monthly price hikes were seen in carpentry materials (1.7 percent from zero growth in January); electrical materials (1.4 percent from 0.5 percent); painting materials and related compounds (0.8 percent from 0.7 percent); and plumbing materials (0.4 percent from 0.1 percent).

In particular, upward price adjustments were noted in plywood, nails, lock sets, electrical wires and wiring devices, paints and other related compounds, and selected plumbing fixtures and fitting materials.

On the other hand, a slower uptick in prices was observed in tinsmith materials (0.1 percent from 0.2 percent) and miscellaneous construction goods (0.9 percent from 1.8 percent).

Further, a decrease in prices was noted in the masonry materials index from an increase of 0.1 percent in January. *Ronnel W. Domingo*

Business

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Gloria De Leon Baltazar Favila

our beloved Mommy and Lola
peacefully joined her Creator
on March 26, 2011
and is now reunited with our Papa and Lolo, Atty. Rizalino L. Favila

Prayers for her eternal rest are requested
by her children: **Annette, Gerry & Grace, Peter & Alice, Joseph Paul (†), Dindo & Mallie, Mario & Peachy, Ed & Beth, Ramon, Pola, Martin & Annette;**

grandchildren: **Paul, Paulyn & Lea, Eric & Cara, Marlo & Che, Julian, Kristine, Alex, Mianne, Michelle, Ranee & JP, Diana, Ian, Karl, Nico, Michael, Sean, Nikki;**

and great grandchildren: **Celine (†), Chicos, Charlie, Pepe, Santino, Lucas, Andie, Ira, Rocco.**
brothers: **Andy, Msgr. Mario, OP;** sister: **Linda**

Her remains lie in state at the Christ The King Parish, Greenmeadows Avenue, White Plains, Quezon City.

Interment will be on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at the Loyola Memorial Park, Marikina City after the 9:00 AM Mass.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Our Lady Of Fatima Parish, Bacood, Sta. Mesa, Manila will be deeply appreciated.



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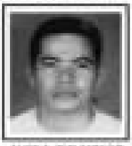
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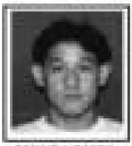
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The public is notified that Mr. Juancho L. Pacheco is the holder of Industrial Design No. 3-2000-000476 for "Sandal" issued on September 3, 2003 by the Bureau of Patents of the Intellectual Property Office ("IPO") covering the following design:



On October 22, 2009, Mr. Pacheco filed with the Bureau of Legal Affairs of the IPO a Petition for Cancellation (IPC No. 13-09-248) of Industrial Design No. 3-2008-000743 issued on March 2, 2009 for "Men's Slippers" in the name of Mr. Alvin T. Co.

In a Decision dated May 11, 2010, the IPO Bureau of Legal Affairs cancelled Mr. Alvin T. Co's Industrial Design No. 3-2008-000743 for "Men's Slippers."

In a Resolution dated February 18, 2011, the IPO Bureau of Legal Affairs denied the Motion for Reconsideration filed by Mr. Alvin T. Co.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TO ALL MEMBERS OF PSMBFI:

Notice is hereby given that the GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and ELECTION of the Board of Trustees, PUBLIC SAFETY MUTUAL BENEFIT FUND, INC. will be held on April 16, 2011 at 9:00 in the morning, at the PSMBFI Building, 3rd Flr. Function Room, No. 318-320 Santolan Road, cor. 1st & 2nd West Crame, Brgy. West Crame, San Juan City.

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

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FOR THE PROSPECTIVE ANCILLARY SERVICES PROVIDERS

1. With its crucial role of providing Ancillary Services (AS) to all transmission users of Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao Grids as required by the Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001 (EPIRA), its Implementing Rules and Regulations, the Philippine Grid Code (PGC) and the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) Rules, the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) is mandated to implement the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) – promulgated Ancillary Service Procurement Plan (ASPP) and the Ancillary Services Cost Recovery Mechanism (AS-CRM).
2. NGCP now calls all interested merchant plants and Independent Power Producers to participate in the provision of AS in order to maintain the reliability and security of the power grids. All generating companies are invited to apply for accreditation and present offers for the following AS:

Types of Ancillary Services	Offer
a. Regulating Reserve	- PhP/kW/hour - Available Capacity
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c. Dispatchable Reserve	- PhP/kW/hour - Available Capacity
d. Reactive Power Support	- PhP/kVAR/hour - Available Capacity of Reactive Power beyond the spectrum of 85% lagging and 90% leading power factor
e. Black Start (BS) Capacity	- PhP/kW per month of providing Black Start Capacity - Rating of each unit accredited as BS

3. Process of accreditation and acceptance of AS offers shall be conducted consistent with the latest versions of PGC, Open Access Transmission Services (OATS) Rules and ASPP.
4. An Ancillary Services Procurement Agreement (ASPA) will be executed for offers from providers that are accredited by the System Operator (SO).
5. The ASPA shall be jointly filed by NGCP and AS Providers before the ERC following the provisions of ASPP which was approved on October 2007 by ERC under ERC Case No. 2006-[illegible]RC, as may be amended. The ASPA shall be implemented upon the grant of provisional authority or final approval by the ERC.
6. Prospective AS Providers may request for copies of Contract and Accreditation Procedures, ASPP, AS-CRM and ASPA template to any Account Officers of the Network Customer Access and Relations (NetCARD)/Revenue and Regulatory Affairs (RRA). Prospective AS Provider may also request for orientation/briefing through [illegible]@ngcp.ph, [illegible]@ngcp.ph and Mr. Philip Dacella at (02)981-2[illegible] and Ms. Rosanne Amaya at (02)981-2296.
7. Application for accreditation and submission of AS offers can be tendered directly to:

Ms. Cynthia Y. Manrique
Head, Revenue and Regulatory Affairs Department
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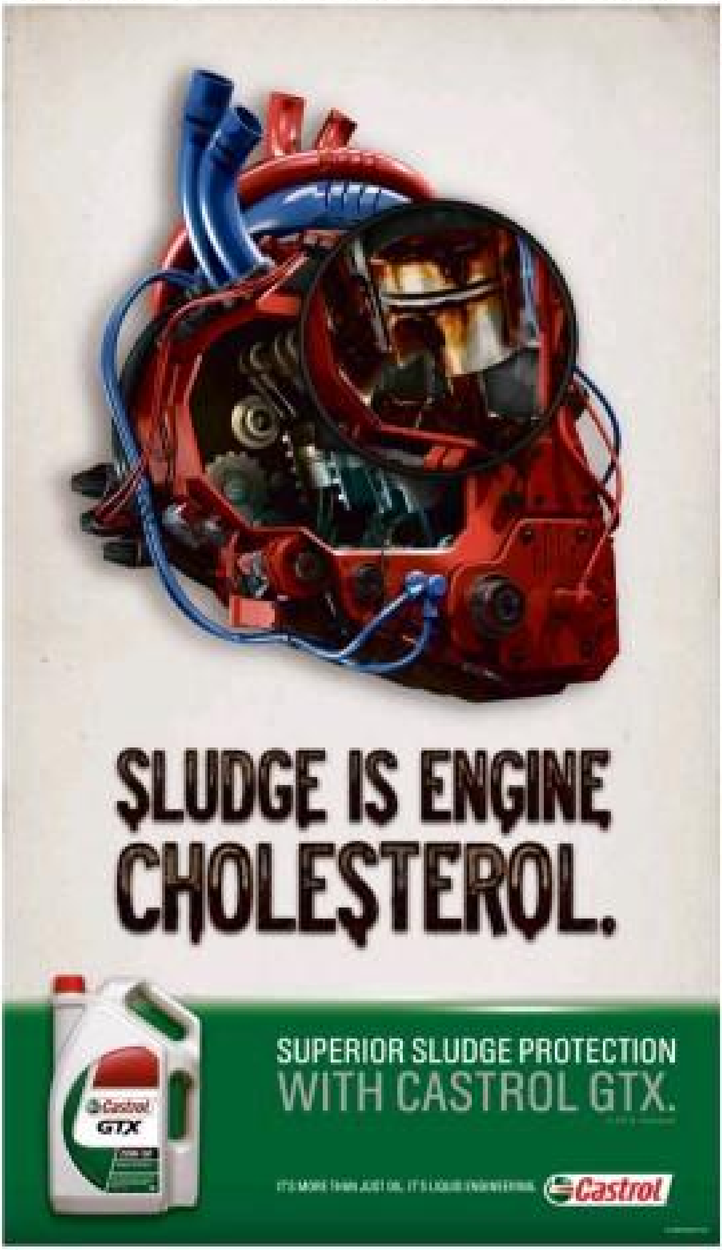
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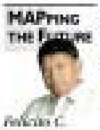


"The power we have–the power you have–is to empower others"



Public-private partnership—pitfalls and opportunities

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LIFESTYLE Arts&Books

Laugh trip with Rep's what-if 'Shakespearean' play

By Totel V. de Jesus
Contributor

ADMIT IT or not, mention Shakespeare and most of the theater-going public, especially the younger ones, will see it as a boring affair. To make it exciting, why not put a lot of sex, drugs and all that jazz?

So there were lots of kissing and breast-making at the rehearsal studio of Repertory Philippines one recent Thursday afternoon.

It may sound like an orgy but they were professional actors doing Act Two of Ken Ludwig's "Shakespeare in Hollywood," Rep's latest offering starting April 1.

"I don't know if we're known for kissing and breast-making," says director Jaime del Mundo before breaking into his patented, ascending volley of laughter which proved to be highly contagious. "I'd like to think Rep is more known for musicals and children's theater."

Del Mundo is elated to do this what-if comedy set in 1930s Hollywood. It is about the making of Warner Brothers' 1935 movie version of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The "real" Oberon and Puck are transported from the fairyland [illegible] via time travel right on the sound stage of a Hollywood lot, just before shooting begins.



RAYMOND Concepcion (seated left) as Harry Warner of Warner Bros. film studio, which produced "Midsummer Night's Dream" in 1935

Engaging twist

The most engaging twist is that the hired actors for the movie, Victor Jory as Oberon and Mickey Rooney as Puck, have suddenly become unavailable. Thus, two "real" Shakespearean actors pinch-hit for them.

The film's director, Max Reinhardt (played by Robie Zialcita), is just lucky to have the two on the set. More exciting, they brought with them that magical flower from Cupid, which makes the first person you see upon waking up fall immediately in love with you.

LAUGH B4









A grand Verdi Requiem by PPO

By Pablo A. Tariman
Contributor







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Laugh trip with Rep's what-if 'Shakespearean' play

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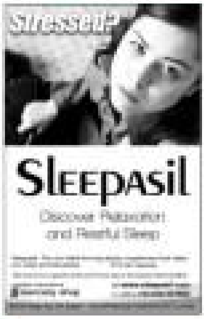
CCP dance workshop starts April 4

Classical music rules

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Classical music rules

Notables are UST's 'Cavaleria Rusticana' and PPO's 'Character Portraits' and Verdi's 'Requiem'



Clash of cultures

Divas and a macho



Oral school for the deaf holds graduation, summer program

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National Museum to receive ₱178m endowment from Pagcor

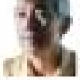
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Are heritage buildings earthquake-proof?

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New is not necessarily better than old since heritage buildings were built with seismic considerations in mind



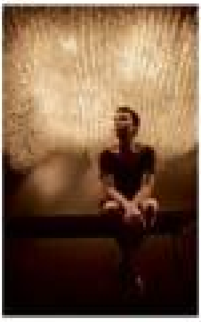
UE HOLDS LECTURE ON INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE TRENDS

Republikha Gallery holds inaugural exhibit



French-Filipina artist auctions work at Mandarin





Those Luneta photographers

Our trip to Luneta had closed off memorably. I realized how indispensable these photographers were. The camera-phone photograph that we had taken would have been a shameful cop out of a good memory

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LOLITA and Nicanor, Rizal Park photographers

SMART THINKING, SIMPLE LIVING

for Judy Ann and Ryan Agoncillo with Samsung Digital Appliances

There's nothing quite like the experience of being a first-time parent. The first time it dawns on a mother and father that someone's fragile life is in their hands is both a magical and troublesome moment, one that leads to frequent bouts of worrying, to numerous unanswered questions, and the ultimate fear of making a mistake that could affect their child's life forever. But in as much as raising a child is a stressful and worrisome experience, it is equally and perhaps even more rewarding. No parent ever forgets the first time she sees her baby smile, or the first time she witnesses her baby take his first steps. All in all, the joys of parenting make all the hardships and challenges of raising a child worth it.

In their journey into parenthood, Judy Ann and Ryan Agoncillo have chosen Samsung Digital Appliances as their partner in ensuring their home is a safe and comfortable haven for their young family.

As young parents to Johan and newborn Lucho, Judy Ann and Ryan want only the best for their young family, a requirement that extends to their choice of home appliances. In ensuring that they are able to keep a safe and healthy environment in their home, Samsung Digital Appliances provide the perfect products that fulfill a young family's needs while being easy and convenient to use.

With Samsung Air Conditioners, Judy Ann and Ryan are confident that Lucho's room is free from dust and other airborne bacteria, thanks to Samsung Air Conditioners' High Density Filter that collects dust and other airborne viruses in the room, for cleaner and fresher indoor air. What's more, with the inverter technology of Samsung air conditioners, we're ensured that they're energy-efficient, with up to 60% energy savings.

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Delicate newborns require delicate clothing, and with Samsung washing machines, Lucho's onesies are cleaned thoroughly but gently. Features unique to Samsung Washing Machines like the Eco Bubble Technology and the Diamond Drum ensure that clothes are not damaged while they are being washed and cleaned. Furthermore, the Eco Bubble Technology has a 15-minute quick wash function for fast and efficient cleaning, while Samsung's unique Diamond Drum prevents clothes from being damaged through its uniquely embossed drum with smaller holes.

Judy Ann and Ryan lead busy lives, so the time they spend at home with their kids is truly precious. In trying to spend as much time at home bonding with their children as their schedules permit, they can't be bothered with complex appliances that required time and effort to study and operate. Samsung digital appliances are perfect for busy parents like Judy Ann and Ryan, as their intuitive user interface and user-friendly controls make them convenient and hassle-free to use.

Judy Ann and Ryan Agoncillo are the epitome of today's young and modern couples – talented, successful, and career-driven. But more importantly, they are first and foremost parents to their wonderful children, and their first priority is always to ensure their kids are safe, healthy and comfortable in their home, a promise that's guaranteed to them by Samsung Digital Appliances.



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Regional shows mark Chabet's 50th year as groundbreaking artist





ROBERTO Chabet, 1970s

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Artists echo themselves

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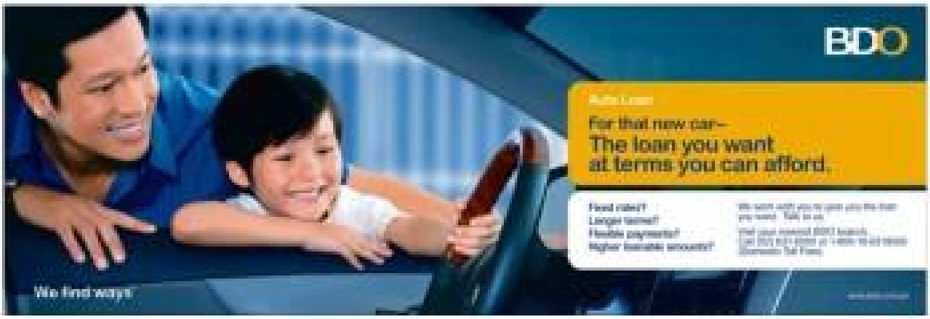


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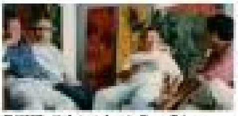
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"COMPLETE and Unabridged"



CHABET with Antonio Austria, Danny Dalena and Fernando Modesto, 1970s

Artists echo themselves

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Aligam's loss, Farley's maturity

Hybrid, balloon, casting



"PANGA!! AH" by Mark Justiniani



"SELF PORTRAIT" by [illegible]

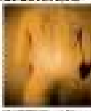


"THE WATCHER" (Self-portrait), by Anthony Palo

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Dans, Fajardo in Ayala lectures

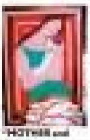
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"A VERY Short Flowering Season," by Corinne de San Jose and Christina Dy

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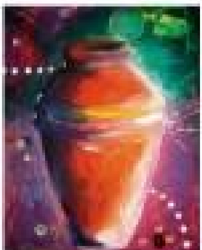


"MOTHER and Child"

Anecdote of the 'dulay'






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A salute to the GRADUATES OF 2011



Improve career prospects with an MBA

By Marie D. Salazar

A Master in Business Administration (MBA) is like a passport to better employment opportunities. More often than not, the applicant with an MBA will get the job than the one who doesn't have one.

Lately, graduate schools have adapted to the increasing demand for MBAs and other advanced management courses. There is also a demand for entrepreneurship programs for the growing number of entrepreneurs.

Since it began in the United States between the late 19th century and early part of 20th century, an MBA has become a staple for individuals who climb the corporate ladder. According to UK's The Independent website, an MBA was a two-year postgraduate course then where most students enroll straight after a first degree without business experience.

In some schools, those who want to take up an MBA should quit their jobs to focus on the course. However, some now offer distance learning too to accommodate those who want to have that badge but cannot just leave their jobs.

In an earlier article, Ricardo Lim, Ph.D., associate dean of Washington Sycip Graduate School of Business of the Asian Institute of Management, said that a person may be "who's competent technically but there is a yearning for more challenge, more complexity, and a change of functional area or industry."

As the corporate world becomes more competitive than ever, people changing companies like changing dresses, and employee piracy becomes rampant, having an MBA can be like a shield - and an armor - to face the ever changing corporate world.

An MBA commands a higher level of critical thinking which is required for someone who leads a multinational corporation or a company with diverse interests.

These days, however, an MBA has become more of a necessity for higher learning of businessmen and employees in different academic disciplines. An MBA can equip a person with not just better business resource management and decision making skills but also tools to understand other areas of business such as accounting, marketing, and operations management.

There are different types of MBAs but probably the most popular is the one that

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focuses on general management. AIM has diversified its program offerings that aside from the two-year or full-time MBA, it also has Master in Management, Master in Entrepreneurship, Master in Development Management, Executive Management, and the (non-degree) Executive Programs and Development Executive Programs.

Lim advised to be really discriminating in choosing the graduate schools where to take up an MBA. Schools with accreditation from other countries are the perfect choice because it ensures quality and the local counterpart is bound to abide by its standards. He said that one must examine the curricula if it's up-to-date, and how seldom are the course offerings and electives.

The Graduate School of Business Administration (GSBA) at Harvard University was established in 1908 and it offered the world's first MBA program. To this date, Harvard still holds the distinction of being the premier school for MBA.

The two-year or full-time MBA program

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How to make a good graduation speech

By Kenneth M. del Rosario

It might be a while before you get to see your classmates again after graduation. So if you were tasked to make a speech in front of the class during that special occasion, why not make the most of it? After all, even last impressions last.

1. Just be yourself

2. Add a touch of humor



ADMU high school graduates in ... reaction as they wait for the arrival of guest of honor and speaker President Aquino at the Baccalaureate mass in the high school covered courts, ADMU, Katipunan Avenue, Loyola Heights, Quezon City.

3. Make an outline

4. Say your "thank you's"

5. Praise and motivate



PRESIDENTIAL sister Kristina Bernadette 'Kris' Aquino, attends the graduation of Presidential nephew Justice Philip Anthony Joseph Aquino during the 5th Commencement Exercises for the Grade School Department of the Multiple Intelligence School at the University of the Philippines (UP) Film Center, Diliman Campus, Quezon City Sunday afternoon March 20.

Improve career prospects with an MBA

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Sun Postpaid Plan 350: A graduate's dependable companion



Scholarship turned their lives around for the better

By Kenneth M. del Rosario

Give love to the graduates!

Kumon for the future



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TOP TEN graduation movies

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The Graduate (1967)

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St. Elmo's Fire (1985)

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Lost in Translation (2003)

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Into the Wild (2007)

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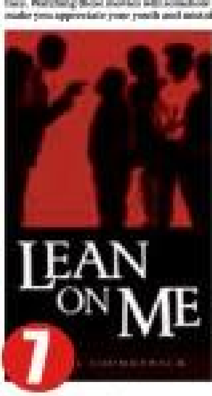
Reality Bites (1994)

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Pretty in Pink (1986)

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Lean on Me (1989)

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Dead Poets Society (1989)

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Dazed and Confused (1993)

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The Breakfast Club (1985)

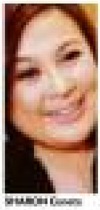
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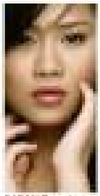
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Why Sarah is thankful to Sharon



SHARON Cuneta



SARAH Geronimo

Happy to be pals with dad

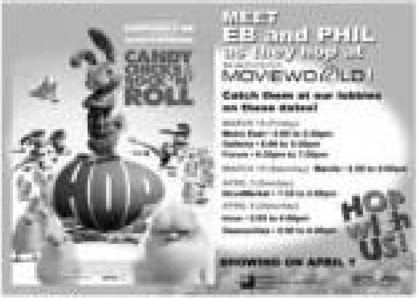
Actor denies on-cam sex with co-star 28 years ago



DONALD Sutherland


MARCH 25




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HOP
MEET
EB and PHIL
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YOUTH AND MUSIC GO TOGETHER. The Music Museum and The Music School of Ryan Cayabyab ... April 1, 2011.

Happy to be pals . . .

"In the Limelight" airs weekdays at 7:30 p.m.

Why Sarah is thankful . . .

Not comfortable

Oh, that sleek feline on hunk Chris Tiu's thigh



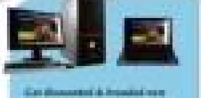












Comebacks contagious

VIEWFINDER



Nestor U. Torre

ENTERTAINMENT

Festival brings classic Pinoy films beyond malls, to communities



CHRISTOPHER de Leon and Hilda Koronel in "Kung Mangarap Ka't Magising."

Sineng Pambansa goes mobile in Burnham Park

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

SINENG PAMBANSA is introducing a new program, "Sine ng Masa," in Baguio City.

While the main screenings will take place at SM City Baguio Cinemas 1 and 2 (today till March 31), the fest has a mobile component with Burnham Park and other communities as setting (tonight and tomorrow).

The open-air screenings will feature both critically acclaimed and commercially successful films like Mike de Leon's "Kung Mangarap Ka't Magising," Joyce Bernal's "Don't Give Up On Us," Erik Matti's "Pa-Siyam," Antonio Jose Perez's "Mumbaki" and Chito Roño's [illegible]



CHARO Santos in "Itim" (1976)

"Mobile cinemas are trucks fitted with big LCD screens and equipped with sound systems and generators," said Briccio Santos, head of the Film Development Council of the Philippines, host organization.

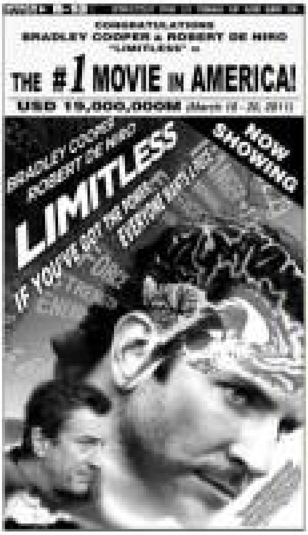
He added: "Sine ng Masa fully concretizes the goal of Sineng Pambansa to bring Filipino films to Filipinos, encourage audiences to watch local movies."

Chosen venues for the mobile screenings: [illegible] Burnham Park and [illegible] Engineer's Hill are "scenic places in Baguio," he said.

As in the fest's Iloilo (January) and Zamboanga (February) editions, the council is teaming up with the local government.

Santos said Mayor Mauricio Domogan "has been very supportive of the festival ever since preparations started early this year."

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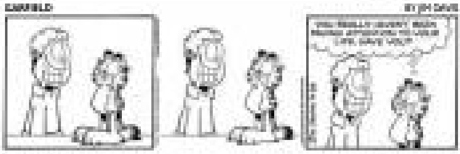




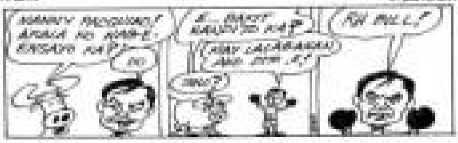




GARFIELD — BY JIM DAVIS



A. LIPIN — BY JESS ABRERA



PUGAD BABOY — BY PM JUNIOR



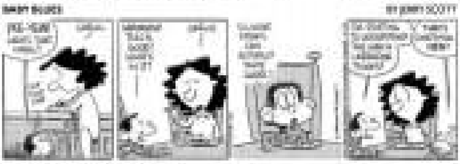
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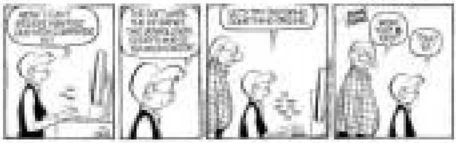


BABY BLUES — BY JERRY SCOTT





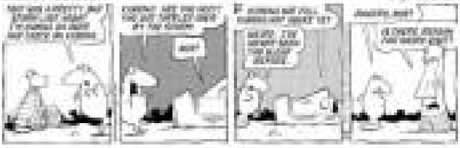
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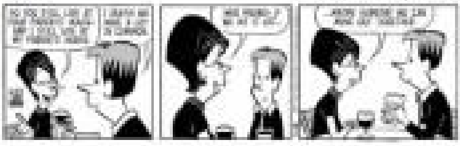
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SHERMAN'S LAGOON — BY JIM TOOMEY



DUSTIN — BY STEVE KELLEY AND JEFF PARKER





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CONCEPTIS SUDOKU

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

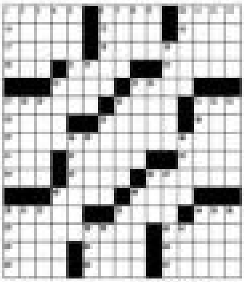
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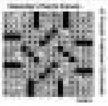
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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Alwan Fiesta features costume-foto exhibit



KBS crew sets May reunion in Vegas

Sineng...

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"Kung Mangarap ka'y Magising"

Overlooked





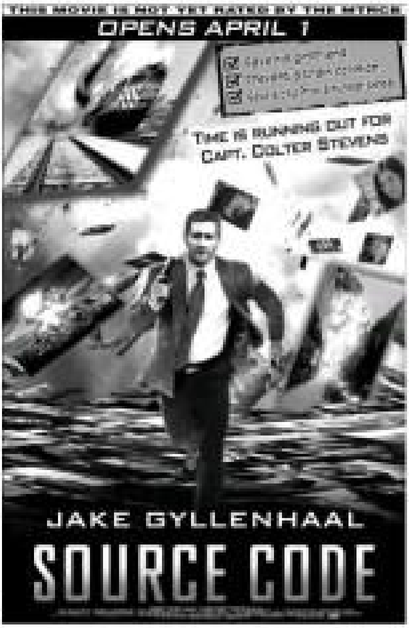















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ang Pinakamainit na Programa Ngayong Tag-araw!
CAPTAIN BARBELL
Ngayong Gabi Na
Pagkatapos ng 24 oras
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halo-halo ang summer saya!
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Soon
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Soon
GMA Telebabad
April 4
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Soon

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Internet Safety Forum, April 2

INQUIRER INVITES parents and teachers of elementary and high school students who are Internet users to a free forum on Internet safety at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 2, at the second floor of the PDI building Chino Roces Avenue (formerly Pasong Tamo) corner Mascardo and Yague Streets in Makati City.

When kids react to news

By Elizabeth Lolarga

WHEN psychologist Maria Lourdes "Honey" Carandang made a comment, in a recent front page news of the Inquirer, on the importance of truth-telling, a young reader asked her parent, "Does Lola Honey want to be buried at the Libingan ng mga Bayani with Angie Reyes?"

> Parents must listen to their children and use the opportunity to teach and instill core values

Confused

Wrong emphasis



Playgrounds for the MIND

Member Schools

AMA campuses obtain perfect passing rate on MCP certification examinations







PWU Skills Showdown 2011

Letran's send off party for its 2011 graduates

MSEUF celebrates annual National Arts Month

PUP responds to President Aquino's plan

Esteban School changes name to Australian IS

UST launches Quadricentennial Literary Prize

Escolarians to stage annual Sampaguita Interlude

TIP students win in IEEE Research Contest



SINGAPORE SCHOOL MANILA HOLDS SCIENCE FAIR

A tsunami class activity



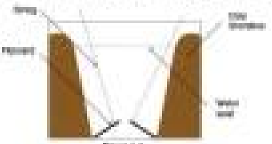


Diagram 1

Guide questions

Risk assessment

Evaluation

Scholarships for student leaders, athletes, etc.



When kids react to news

Thematic art camp

Summer thrills

Scien-terrific summer at camp

Int'l conference on stem cell therapy April 7-8

Seminar on school human resource policies

Assignment: DepEd

Sharing cost of 142 new classrooms



Belo Foundation donates two preschools

Better places of learning for public school children





Cultural regional festivals showcased at annual event



From 123 to ABC at one site



Day-care centers in Nasugbu

Internet Safety Forum, April 2



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